Report and Accounts (1996-97) of the Employees Provident Fund Organisation, New Delhi and related papers.

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA): Sir, I lay on the Table, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(a) Forty-fourth Annual Report of the Employees Provident Fund Organisation, New Delhi, for the year 1996-97.

(b) Annual Accounts of the Employees Provident Fund Organisation, New Delhi, for the year 1996-97 and the Audit Report thereon.

(c) Statement giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (a) and (b) above.

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SHRI MD. SALIM: Sir, I have a point to make on Item No. II. It is about the Annual Report of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. There are three reports. Sir, the Reports are from 1989 to 1991 and 1992-93 and are all being laid together with Action Taken Report. But, in all other cases, you will find a statement explaining the reasons for delay. In this, the Government has already delayed but there is no statement explaining the delay. So, how we look at the report of the SC/ST Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): I do not know how to answer that. I am not aware of the point that you have raised. We will certainly put in the reasons.

Reports of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and Action Taken Memorandums on the Recommendations.

Sir, now I lay on the Table—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under article 338 of the Constitution:—

(i) (a) First Annual Report of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the period from 12th March, 1992 to 31st March, 1993.

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(b) Action Taken Memorandum on the Recommendations made in the First Report of the National Commission for Schedule Castes and Scheduled Tribes

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(ii) (a) Second Annual Report of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, for the year 1993-94.

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(b) Action Taken Memorandum on the Recommendations made in the Second Report of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

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II. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under clause (2) of article 338 of the Constitution:—

(a) Thirtieth Annual Report of the National Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes, New Delhi, for the years 1989—91)

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(b) Action Taken Memorandum on the Recommendations made in the Thirtieth Report of the National Commissioner for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

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III. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(a) Special Report (January, 1998) of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.